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Memorandum

To: FE - Mr. Butterworth

Reference: Your memorandum of today's date.

CIA reports that ESD stations have been closed down in Shanghai and Canton, which means that there are no stations left on the mainland. U.S. personnel of ESD are in Hong Kong, including one or two dependents, in transit from Formosa and Canton to FEC area. There may be an officer in Canton who was going up from Hong Kong temporarily to close out their leases.

In Formosa there are still a few people who have not yet been shipped out and are awaiting Navy transport.

CIA states that they do not have exact figures on people currently in Hong Kong and Formosa, because their presence is dependent upon day-to-day transport availability. Their schedule calls for a closing of all ESD stations and evacuation of all ESD personnel from China, including Shanghai, Canton, Hong Kong and Formosa, between the 15th and 30th of this month.

I hope this is the information you need.

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Deputy

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